

In the Claims:

Amend the claims as follows:

13 1 4. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the herbicide is selected from the group consisting of bilanafos, diquat, glufosinate-ammonium, glyphosate and paraquat.

5. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the herbicide is glufosinate-ammonium.

6. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the carrier materials are selected from the group consisting of aerogels, high-molecular-weight polyglycols and polymers based on acrylic acid, methacrylic acid and copolymers thereof.

7. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, which additionally comprises at least one substance selected from the group consisting of pre-emergence herbicides, plant growth regulators, fungicides, insecticides, safeners, nutrients, seed dressings and fertilizers.

8. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, which additionally comprises at least one additive selected from the group consisting of surfactants, wetting agents, emulsifiers, adjuvants, ammonium salts, preservatives, colorants, antifoams, tackifiers, solvents, buffer systems and UV stabilizers.

9. (Amended) The herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 8, wherein the additive is selected from the group consisting of alkyl ether sulfonates, ammonium sulfate and ammonium nitrate.

Cancel claims 10 to 13 without prejudice or the intention of creating estoppel.

Add the following new claims:

--14. A method for controlling the growth of undesirable harmful plants pre-

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emergently with a post-emergence herbicide, said method comprises applying a herbicidal composition according to claim 1 to an environment when said undesirable harmful plant will reside prior to the emergence of said harmful plants.

15. The method according to claim 14, wherein the environment further comprises a crop of useful plants and the herbicidal composition further comprises on a herbicidally active compound to which the crops of useful plants are tolerant.

16. The method according to claim 15, wherein the crop of useful plants are plants that are genetically modified.

17. A pre-emergence herbicidal composition, which comprises an effective amount of one or more post-emergence herbicides and an amount of a carrier material selected from the group consisting of fuller's earth, aerogels, high-molecular-weight polyglycols and polymers based on acrylic acid, methacrylic acid and copolymers thereof, with the proviso that herbicidal compositions comprising paraquat and fuller's earth shall be excluded.--

REMARKS

This invention relates to *inter alia* pre-emergence herbicidal compositions, which comprise at least one post-emergence herbicide and carrier selected from the group consisting of fuller's earth, aerogels, high molecular weight polyglycols and polymers based upon acrylic acids and methacrylic acid and copolymers thereof, as well as to a method of using a post-emergence herbicide in a pre-emergence manner. Applicants discovered that if a post-emergence herbicide were formulated with specific types of carriers, one could use the post-emergence herbicide pre-emergently.